



Helping migrants prepare for road **DVD focuses on safety**

THE launch of a safety DVD to assist newly arrived migrants and refugees to understand driving safety is expected to save lives and avoid injuries on Australian roads.

The Operational Roadsafe DVD was launched by English language educator ACL as a resource to provide practical road safety skills and knowledge to assist new Australians in settlement.

ACL Group Managing Director Helen Zimmerman said the DVD will not only help address road safety but also

assist many refugees and migrants to gain their driver's licence, which in turn will reduce social isolation.

ACL and the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) have worked as a consortium since 1998 to settle new Australians.

"Investigations coming out of the AMEP Research Centre and feedback from ethnic communities was that refugees and migrants needed assistance to prepare for their licences and testing," Ms Zimmerman said.

"This DVD will not only help reduce the degree of death and injury on the roads but will also be used as an excellent resource for our AMEP course as part of the settlement focus of the program."

The DVD will be used in ACL college classrooms and by consortium partners, Macquarie Community College and UWS College, and can be purchased by students, the general public and community groups by phoning 1300 798 111.



ACL Group Managing Director Helen Zimmerman, Media PR Interactive Managing Director Steven Hill, ACL Government Programs Community Relations Manager Mark Lack and ACL AMEP student Cherine Hamada using the Roadsafe DVD resource via computer.